

The American Citizen.

CANTON, MISS.

Official Journal City & County.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1881.

The defendants in the Star route cases were dismissed on Thursday by the Criminal Court of the District of Columbia. Judge Cox ruled that they should have been indicted for an infamous crime, rather than for a misdemeanor. A fine totaling, indeed—somewhat like acquitting a man of murder and hanging him for stealing the victim's horse.

Success of the Democratic Ticket.

Under the above caption, the Citizen has the following editorial. Returns of the election in this state indicate the success of the Democratic-Congressional State ticket by from 15,000 to 25,000. We have never thought that it would be less than 15,000. The extraordinary efforts of the combined opposition, and their almost frantic appeals to the colored suffragists to cast their votes solidly, awakened apprehensions of danger in the minds of some Democrats which we never experienced, because we were satisfied that intelligent observation of the wise and benevolent rule of the democratic party by many of the colored voters had convinced them that their interest dictated its countenance. From the beginning of the reconstruction era in 1865, down to the present time, we have never doubted that the fears and suspicions of the colored voters would be overcome if the Democracy, composed of a majority of the whites, would steadfastly adhere to a course of justice and conciliation towards the colored race. Our predictions have been verified, as the result of the last and previous elections has abundantly attested. Turning neither to the right hand nor to the left, the Democracy will go forward on the line of progress, and of material and intellectual development upon which they have set out, and the time is not far distant when Mississippi will be second to no other of State of its dimensions in wealth and prosperity.

THE ELECTIONS.

Our latest information up to the hour of going to press, show beyond question that the entire state ticket is elected by from 15,000 to 20,000 majority, and the legislature will be overwhelmingly Democratic. A Jackson special says: Returns are coming in rapidly, and it is now certain that the Democratic ticket is elected by a large majority. The Democratic state committee claims a majority of between 20,000 and 25,000, and the estimate of the Fusion committee is not much short of these figures. General Lowry is at headquarters receiving the congratulations of his friends. The Fusion committee rooms are deserted and things there have a gloomy and hopeless look. With one or two exceptions the election passed off quietly all over the state. A large vote was polled. The legislature is overwhelmingly Democratic in both branches. This county (Baldwin), which was regarded by the Fusionists as one of their strongholds, gives a Democratic majority of 600 and elects Democrats to all county offices.

Each party claims its ticket elected in New York by 2,000 majority. So far the incomplete returns show that neither party has elected its entire state ticket. The official count will be necessary to determine the result, and the majority will probably be but a few hundred either way. There seems to be no question of a Democratic majority of two in the senate and five or six in the house.

In Virginia the Republicans elect Cameron governor and their entire state ticket, and claim both branches of the legislature.

The Republicans were victorious in Pennsylvania and Connecticut. Reports from Wisconsin show large Democratic gains.

The Riot Near Meridian.

MERIDIAN, November 8.—At Marion Station, five miles north of Meridian this morning soon after the polls opened, some negroes provoked a difficulty with some white men; then shot and killed four of them, namely: A. T. Harvey, present assessor, and democratic candidate for reelection; Joseph Barnett, Jeff Segars, and Vincent Segars, and severely wounded Levi Moore and Jas. Hedges. The white men were unarmed. The negroes and their chief instigator, Ed. Vance, then mounted their horses and fled to Vance's house, some two miles distant, and barricaded themselves. Sheriff Henderson promptly summoned a posse, and proceeded from here by special train to Marion, but finding all quiet, returned with part of the posse; the remainder under a deputy started in pursuit of the murderers, but were repulsed upon approaching Vance's house. The deputy sheriff demanded a surrender, which they refused defiantly. An additional force was then sent from here, when another movement was made upon the house. Arriving in the yard, sheriff Henderson intended a surrender, which was refused. John Vance, son of Ed. Vance, then rode up with a double-barreled gun pointing at the posse, when the firing commenced, resulting in the killing of John Vance and of Mr. A. C. Warren, of the posse, an estimable and quiet citizen of Meridian, and the wounding of Wm. Vance, another son of Ed. Vance, who was captured and brought in, arriving since eight o'clock. Several other persons were slightly wounded.

ED. VANCE and thirty or forty negroes escaped to the woods. Many shots were fired at them as they retreated, with results unknown. The action here and elsewhere in the county, with the above exception, was quiet and orderly.

Ed. Vance, who is charged with instigating the riot, is a white man and the acknowledged leader of the republican party in Lauderdale County. When he fled to the woods and escaped from the sheriff's posse, he was accompanied by about thirty negroes, who were barricaded with him in his house.

Success of the Democratic Ticket.

Under the above caption, the Citizen has the following editorial. Returns of the election in this state indicate the success of the Democratic-Congressional State ticket by from 15,000 to 25,000. We have never thought that it would be less than 15,000. The extraordinary efforts of the combined opposition, and their almost frantic appeals to the colored suffragists to cast their votes solidly, awakened apprehensions of danger in the minds of some Democrats which we never experienced, because we were satisfied that intelligent observation of the wise and benevolent rule of the democratic party by many of the colored voters had convinced them that their interest dictated its countenance. From the beginning of the reconstruction era in 1865, down to the present time, we have never doubted that the fears and suspicions of the colored voters would be overcome if the Democracy, composed of a majority of the whites, would steadfastly adhere to a course of justice and conciliation towards the colored race. Our predictions have been verified, as the result of the last and previous elections has abundantly attested. Turning neither to the right hand nor to the left, the Democracy will go forward on the line of progress, and of material and intellectual development upon which they have set out, and the time is not far distant when Mississippi will be second to no other of State of its dimensions in wealth and prosperity.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

Ordered, That the position of

Jesse McKay and others to change road No. 135 from Magruder's mill to wire road from where it now runs to near the Sam Caldwell place, to the line between Alford's yard and the land owned by J. D. Truesdale, be granted; provided, that no cost or charge be paid by the county.

Ordered, That the following lands now assessed to Geo. A. Ross, viz: 1/2 of lot 1, sec. 1, S. 1, w. 1/2 of sec. 51, t. 4, be changed to G. H. Singleton.

</